

PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Confirmation No: 4530

Mauricio Rodolfo CARRASCO

Attorney Docket No: 026254-00017

Serial Number: 10/674,019

Group Art Unit: 3733

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Examiner: Annette R. REIMERS

For:

METHOD FOR CORRECTING A DEFORMITY IN THE SPINAL COLUMN AND ITS

CORRESPONDING IMPLANT

<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: May 15, 2006

Sir:

Applicant petitions for an extension of time of three (3) months for response to the outstanding Office Action dated November 15, 2005 from February 15, 2006 to May 15, 2006.

Please find attached a check in the amount of \$510.00 to cover the fee discussed above. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing attorney docket number 026254-00017.

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